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## FW: Urgent: Letters of Support for California Senate Resolution 84

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TO: Hollywood 4WRD

Here is an opportunity to add your voice to the growing call to the state legislature and governor to recognize that we are facing an unprecedented humanitarian crisis in this state – with no signs that it is improving, given the continuing loss of affordable housing.

Please take a moment to lend your voice to this effort and send letters of support for SR 84 to the elected officials listed below. Please ask your boards, your colleagues, and friends and family to join in.

Kerry

From: Wickrema, Dhakshike [mailto:DWickrema@bos.lacounty.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2016 8:04 PM

Cc: Ramirez, Fernando <FRamirez@bos.lacounty.gov>; Vera, Yolanda <YVera@bos.lacounty.gov>

Subject: Urgent: Letters of Support for California Senate Resolution 84

Importance: High

Dear Colleagues,

As you know, on June 14<sup>th</sup>, the County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a motion declaring homelessness to be a Statewide humanitarian crisis: http://file.lacounty.gov/bos/supdocs/104986.pdf, and sent a five-signature letter to the California Assembly and Senate asking them to pass resolutions urging the Governor to declare a state of emergency in California: http://file.lacounty.gov/bos/supdocs/104987.pdf.

On June 30, 2016, the California Assembly passed House Resolution 56 (Santiago, Ting) http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/15-16/bill/asm/ab\_0051-0100/hr\_56\_bill\_20160630\_amended\_asm\_v98.pdf, urging the Governor to declare a State of Emergency.

California Senate Resolution 84 (Isadore Hall) has just been introduced http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/15-16/bill/sen/sb\_0051-0100/sr\_84\_bill\_20160804\_introduced.pdf, which also urges the Governor to declare a State of Emergency, and which we anticipate will be heard and approved in the next few weeks. The California State Association of Counties and Urban Counties of California are listed as supporters, as well as the 24,305 persons across California that have signed the change.org petition (it's up to 24,699 as I type this).

Please add your organization to the list of supporters and email letters in strong support of SR 84 (Hall) to:

Senator Kevin de Leon, California Senate President pro Tempore; Chair of the Senate Rules Committee. Sd15.senate@ca.gov

Senator Jim Beall, Chair Senate Committee on Transportation and Housing. Sd24.senate@ca.gov

Alexandra Salgado, Housing Consultant for Senator de Leon. Alexandra.salgado@sen.ca.gov

Alison Dinmore, Consultant, Senate Committee on Transportation and Housing. Alison.dinmore@sen.ca.gov

Although no opposition is recorded, the just-released Senate Committee analysis (see attached) suggests that homeless advocacy groups may be opposed (??) to the Governor declaring a State of Emergency. A strong show of support by Friday will ensure the smooth passage of SR 84 and continue to shine a spotlight on the humanitarian crisis across the County.

Please let me know once you have sent in a letter and don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions.

Best,

Dhakshike

Dhakshike Wickrema

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